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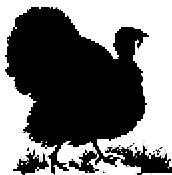
NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to instances weak. Trading was inactive. Demand was very light. Offerings are fully adequate except light weight hens. Parts and meats trading was limited. Demand light. Offerings moderate to heavy for the pre-holiday period.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading centered on limited volumes of thigh meat and full cut wings, balance of items were inactive. Demand was very light to instances moderate. Offerings were in a full range.



SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	105-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-123
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-116
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	98-120
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	98-122

LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB) DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	73-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	73-87
BREASTS 10-12#	125-133
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	
<u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u>	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	104-112
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	104-112
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	80-88
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	73-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	69-73

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	73-78	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	75-78	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	76-79	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	70	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	69	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	70-71	-	-	-

FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-
-	-	-

OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-
-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 20 DECEMBER 2004.

The market tone was steady to weak on fresh tom breast meat, fresh wing meat with skin steady to barely steady, balance of fresh white meat steady at best. The market on frozen white meat was mostly steady with instances of increased weakness noted on wing meat with skin. The demand on fresh tom breast meat for domestic shipments seasonally slow with an increased willingness to negotiate being noted by some sellers to prevent product from moving into frozen supplies for year end inventories. Demand on the balance of fresh white meat items was seasonally light for the light to adequate supplies. The market activity on frozen white meat was seasonally slow for current shipments. Offerings ranged light to instances fully adequate, mostly light to adequate. Trading slow on all items. For domestic: fresh scapula 121, Grade A basted 10-12 lb. breasts 87 cents delivered. For export: tom necks 28-29, fresh tom drums 38, fresh thigh meat 89 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/		R	148.73	67
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	39.00		39.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		R	40.00	35
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		M	38.00	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM		F	49.00	5
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	56.00		56.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		T	102.00	40
NECKS, TOM		F	29.00	5
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		W	181.00	60
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/		F	216.00	40
THIGH MEAT		M	84.50	40
THIGH MEAT--FRESH		R	92.29	31
BREAST TRIM MEAT	140.00-141.00		140.50	80
SCAPULA MEAT	122.00		122.00	2
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	177.00	80
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	192.00		192.00	23
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	100.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	20.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	18.00-19.00		18.55	178
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	40.00	13
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	47.00		47.00	26
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS		F	23.00	13
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		T	20.50	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	85.50		85.50	40

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.